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SUBJECT: JAPAN-ASEAN LOME-TYPE ARRANGEMENT

REFS: A. TOKYO 10035 (NOTAL); B. STATE 156112; C. STATE
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1. IN DISCUSSIONS WITH INDONESIA'S PLANNING MINISTER WIDJOJO JULY 12, UNDER SECRETARY FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS COOPER RAISED USG CONCERN OVER REPORTS THAT ASEAN MIGHT PRESS JAPAN FOR PREFERENTIAL TRADE RELATIONSHIPS. COOPER SET FORTH LONG-STANDING U.S. OPPOSITION TO SUCH SYSTEMS OTHER THAN THOSE SANCTIONED BY GATT. TOKYO SHOULD DRAW ON FOLLOWING POINTS RAISED BY COOPER IN STATING U.S. POSITION TO JAPANESE OFFICIALS.

2. SECRETARY COOPER STATED THAT HE WOULD LIKE TO DISCOUR-
AGE VERY STRONGLY ANY ASEAN INCLINATION TO SEEK SPECIAL
PREFERENTIAL TRADE RELATIONSHIPS WITH JAPAN, SINCE IT
WOULD HURT BOTH U.S. AND ASEAN. SUCH ASEAN MOVE WOULD
INVITE IMITATION, BY AFRICAN COUNTRIES FOR STRENGTHENING
EXISTING PREFERENCES, AND BY LATIN AMERICA FOR RENEWAL OF
PERIODIC PRESSURES FOR SPECIAL US-LA TRADE PREFERENCES,
(RECENTLY RAISED AGAIN BY COLUMBIA). COOPER STATED THAT
AFRICAN-EEC PREFERENCE SYSTEM SHOULD BE INTERPRETED AS

PHASING OUT OF COLONIAL RELATIONSHIP, EACH SUCCESSIVE
STAGE OF WHICH HAS INVOLVED SUCCESSIVE REDUCTION AND
WEAKENING OF PREFERENTIAL FEATURES. COOPER EXPRESSED
CONCERN THAT IF ASEAN EXERTED STRONG PRESSURE ON JAPAN,
IT MIGHT LOSE IN EUROPEAN AND U.S. MARKETS AS MUCH AS IT
GAINS IN JAPAN FROM CONSEQUENT IMPETUS TO SIMILAR CLAIMS
BY AF AND LA COUNTRIES.
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3. COOPER EMPHASIZED MAJOR AND OVERRIDING ADVANTAGES
WHICH U.S. SEES IN FOLLOWING GLOBAL APPROACH FOR DEVELOPING
NATIONS. HE FORESEES OPPORTUNITIES FOR FURTHER STRENGTH-
ENING OF GSP AND TROPICAL PRODUCTS NEGOTIATION BENEFITS
FOR ASEAN.

4. IN SUPPLEMENT TO COOPER'S REMARKS, DEPARTMENT WISHES
TO CONVEY TO JAPANESE THAT, SPECIFICALLY WITH REGARD TO
STABEX TYPE ARRANGEMENTS, THESE WOULD INEVITABLY INVOLVE
MANY MAJOR PRODUCTS ON WHICH GLOBAL COMMODITY NEGOTIATIONS
AND COMMON FUND DISCUSSIONS WILL FOCUS. CONCURRENCE OF
BILATERAL PREFERENTIAL DISCUSSIONS BY A MAJOR TRADING
POWER COULD NOT ONLY INVITE IMITATION BUT CAST DOUBTS
ON INTENTIONS AND GOOD WILL OF DCS IN THESE BROADER
NEGOTIATIONS.

5. AMEMBASSY TOKYO, BEGINNING BY EXPRESSING OUR PLEASURE
AT OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT JAPAN IS CONSIDERING WAYS IT
MIGHT ASSIST ASEAN IN AID, TRADE, AND OTHER ECONOMIC
AREAS WITHIN A GLOBAL FRAMEWORK, SHOULD DRAW ON FOREGOING
COMMENTS TO THE EXTENT IT DEEMS USEFUL AND ADVISABLE.

SIMILARLY, WE ENCOURAGE ASEAN POSTS, TO DRAW ON THIS MATERIAL IF ASKED FOR U.S. VIEWS. WE WOULD NOT BE INCLINED TO VOLUNTEER THESE VIEWS TO ASEAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS UNLESS ASKED. HOWEVER IF JAPANESE ATTRIBUTE SOME OF THEIR RESISTANCE TO ASEAN PROPOSALS TO U.S. PRESSURE, EMBASSIES SHOULD POINT OUT THAT U.S. POSITION ON THIS QUESTION IS MATTER OF LONG-STANDING RECORD GOING BACK TO 1950S, AND MAY SUPPLEMENT WITH FOREGOING MATERIAL AS USEFUL. VANCE

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